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SUBJECT: BALYHBL# MFA REACTION TO UNGA VOTE ON PLO

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF STATEMENT ISSUED OCT 15 BY MFA SPOKESMAN
IN RESPONSE TO VOTE ON PLO AT UNGA(TRANSLATION FROM GOI
PRESS OFFICE).

2. BEGIN TEXT. THE UN VOTE ON THE SUBJECT OF THE PALESTINIAN

LIBERATION ORGANIZATION PROVES THAT IN THE PARLIAMENTARIAN
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COMPOSITION OF THE ASSEMBLY, AND THE PREJUDICES PREVAILING

AMONGST ITS DELEGATES, A MAJORITY COMPLIED WITH THE DEMANDS OF THE PLO. THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION IS NOT A NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENT, BUT THE ROOF ORGANIZATION FOR TERRORIST GROUPS WHO HAVE PERPETRATED DASTARDLY ACTS OF TERRORISM IN ISRAEL AS WELL AS IN OTHER COUNTRIES.

3. THIS RESOLUTION IS ILLEGAL AND WILL NOT BE BINDING UPON ISRAEL IN ANY WAY. ANY COUNTRY WOULD HAVE REJECTED SUCH A RESOLUTION, WHICH STRIKES AT THE VERY ROOTS OF ITS EXISTENCE. THE ACCEPTANCE OF THIS MOTION MAY WELL CONDEMN THE PROSPECTS FOR A PEACEFUL SOLUTION IN THIS AREA, WHICH HAVE JUST GATHERED NEW MOMENTUM.

4. THE RESOLUTION THAT WAS ADOPTED IS DIAMETRICALLY OPPOSED TO THE UNITED NATIONS CHARTER, IN VIEW OF THE DECLARED AIMS OF THE PLO AS EXPRESSED IN THE PALESTINE NATIONAL COVENANT. THESE AIMS CATEGORICALLY DENY ISRAEL THE RIGHT TO EXIST, AND DETERMINE THE DESTRUCTION BY ARMED FORCE OF A MEMBER OF THE UNITED NATIONS ORGANIZATION.

5. THE FACT THAT, OF THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY, FRANCE AND ITALY HAVE SIDED WITH THE APPROACH OF THE MOST EXTREMIST ARAB STATES GIVES RISE TO ASTONISHMENT, FOR THIS STAND DOES NOT ACCORD WITH THE DECLARATIONS MADE BY THESE TWO COUNTRIES CONCERNING THEIR DESIRE TO REFRAIN FROM INTERFERING WITH THE PROCESS OF DIALOGUE IN THE REGION.

6. TO ISRAEL'S PARTICULAR REGRET THE COUNTRIES WHO VOTED IN FAVOR OF OFFICIAL RECOGNITION OF THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION INCLUDE FRANCE WHO ONLY A FEW WEEKS AGO WAS HERSELF WITNESS TO THE ROLE OF THE ARAB TERRORIST ORGANIZATIONS AS PART OF THE INTERNATIONAL TERRORIST ORGANIZATIONS, WHEN THE FRENCH EMBASSY IN THE HAGUE WAS ATTACKED AND THE FRENCH AMBASSADOR HELD HOSTAGE.

7. ISRAEL ALSO REGRETS THE DECISION OF ITALY TO VOTE IN FAVOR OF AWARDED THE RIGHT OF APPEARANCE IN THE UN TO THE VERY

ORGANIZATION WHICH --ON ITALIAN SOIL--PERPETRATED ACTS OF BLOODY TERRORISM, RESULTING IN THE KILLING AND WOUNDING OF A LARGE

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NUMBER OF INNOCENT PEOPLE INCLUDING ITALIAN NATIONALS AS WELL AS OTHERS.

8. ISRAEL IS ALSO GREATLY DISAPPOINTED BY THE VOTES OF IRELAND,

SWEDEN NORWAY AND OTHER COUNTRIES WHO, WE HAD HOPED, WOULD

NOT LEND THEIR SUPPORT TO AN ORGANIZATION OF MURDERERS, BUT
WOULD HAVE PREFERRED PROGRESS TOWARDS PEACE OVER THE ENCOUR-
AGEMENT OF ARAB EXTREMISM. END TEXT.
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